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## Absurd "Treason" Talk.

A few of the Democratic organs and some other contemporaries, that are moving the heavens and the earth to create prejudice against the administration, are charging that the administration has regarded as treason the opposition to the policy which is being pursued in the Philippines and is now trying to deny it. The very absurdity of the proposition is enough to stamp it as a falsehood. No one has ever accused citizens of this country of treasonable intentions for sincere opposition to any line of policy that is being pursued. There never has been an administration at the national capital, from Washington to McKinley, that did not have to face opposition to its policies, and in many cases very violent opposition. The word "treason" means more than that.

The talk about "treason," and which such papers as the Wheeling Register and other organs of its kind are attempting to make appear was applicable to such men as Mr. Carnegie, the venerable Senator Hoar, Carl Schurz, and other distinguished ones whose integrity no one has dared to impeach, was indulged in by many papers and Washington correspondents, as well as by a few army officers recently. It was in connection with the publication of the news from Manila that an organization of some sort in this country, or a committee supposed to be representing it, was sending letters and telegrams to the volunteers in the Philippines, brave men who have patriotically and heroically fought under the flag and fulfilled the duty for which they enlisted, advising them not to reenlist in the government service.

This action, which was doubtless calculated to weaken the forces under Otis, and evidently designed to prevent any re-enlistment on the part of those who might desire to remain, was characterized by some as savoring of treason. Nobody ever charged the high-minded and distinguished leaders, who have been exercising their rights of citizenship in opposing governmental policies from their standpoint (just as men have been doing and always will do, and which is in accordance with the liberal spirit of our free government), with having done these things. Nobody would dare impeach their loyalty to the government in such a way, however he might think that the effect of the opposition was to give comfort to the enemy.

The attempt to make it appear that there were ever any threats to take steps against prominent opponents of the policy of the administration, on the ground that their opposition was "treason," as the Register of this city declares, is the vilest piece of slander of an honorable and upright President ever perpetrated on the public—no matter what the political faith of the person engaged in the ugly business is. Of course the administration's officials deny the silly story. There never was nor could there be any foundation for it. It is so contrary to the character and disposition of the President and his associates and advisors that no sane man would believe it for an instant.

The policy of a government for the Philippines is to be settled by the coming Congress. In the meantime the United States is responsible for peace and order on the islands. It is accepting that responsibility as any honorable nation would, and will carry out its treaty pledges and national obligations. It is not treason to criticize that honorable policy, whatever else we may think of it. The incident of the telegrams to the volunteers gave rise to all the treason business, and talk about "proceedings" against anybody was the work of sensational newspapers principally.

Some Inquiries Answered.  
The following communication is one of two or three the Intelligencer has received, and similar comments have been made by some state papers on the article in this paper referred to. It seems that since the senatorial situation in Pennsylvania has attracted so much interest in this state, it is well to state fully the points involved:

To the Editor of the Intelligencer.  
DEAR SIR:—In your issue of the 24th, it appears in your editorial "Law and Precedent Combined" that you are afraid "Governor Stone's appointment of Mr. Quay to succeed himself in the United States senate, pending an election by the next session of the legislature" is void.

Do you think that the state of Pennsylvania should only have one representative in the United States senate the next two years simply because a lot of Republican klickers, bolted the caucus nominee, and thereby made an election impossible?

Suppose Governor Stone called an extra session, do you think any Republican except the caucus nominee, Mr. Quay, could be elected?

Senator Quay's friends were loyal to him, while he was on trial and before he was found "not guilty" and completely vindicated of the charges brought against him by the political klickers of Pennsylvania, who would ruin the Republican party in this state by killing it in the debris of the carcass of Colonel Quay would be lost forever. It is evident that the people of Pennsylvania have not lost confidence in the "old man." As far as John W. Wana-maker, the leader of the enemies of Senator Quay is concerned, they never had any confidence to lose in him.

I believe that Senator Quay had the sympathy of the Republicans of this state from the start, and they rejoice with the Republicans of the Keystone state over their brainy leader's victory. I am a Republican.

In conclusion, do you think Senator Quay should be refused a seat in the fifty-sixth Congress?

"Great many good Republicans do not fully understand your position in regard to one of the great leaders of the party. I am Yours Respectfully,"

S. B. MONTGOMERY.  
Spencer, W. Va., April 26, 1899.

In reply to the questions in the above communication the Intelligencer will say: First, the Intelligencer does not believe that Pennsylvania or any other state "should only have one representative in the United States senate." If any state is without two representatives, and Pennsylvania will not be the only one, two or three other states being in a like plight from similar causes, it is not the fault of the senate nor the laws governing elections; it is the fault of those who were empowered to elect and failed to do so. As to the reasons why they did not elect—that is a matter which neither the senate nor the law has anything to do with. The senate is not responsible for factional troubles in any particular party. It decides contests on their legal merits. Mr. Quay's merits as a leader are not the issues. The question is the title to the seat.

As to the second question, no one is able to say, with any degree of accuracy, what an extra session called by Governor Stone would do. Possibly it would be the old fight over again; possibly a compromise might be agreed upon. The Intelligencer simply called attention in its editorial to the fact that the constitution of Pennsylvania declares that the governor shall call a special election under such circumstances. The governor took a solemn oath at his inauguration to support the state and national constitutions. The framers of this fundamental law did not take into account the issues involved in any controversy between candidates and their enemies; it only contemplated possible non-elections within the prescribed legal limit.

As to the third inquiry, whether or not Senator Quay should be "refused a seat in the Fifty-sixth Congress," that is a question which only the senate branch of Congress can decide. The Intelligencer, without comment on the merits of the case, pointed out that precedent and the laws heretofore applied in similar cases refused the claimant his seat. The constitution of the United States limits the power of the governor to appoint to cases of vacancies occurring during a recess of the legislature, as in the case of death or resignation of the sitting senator, for instance.

Precedents are plentiful in the record of the senate, but the senate may create new precedents if it desires. It is not likely, however, to go back of the constitution and the statutes based upon it. Our friend will find the limit of the power of the governor to appoint in article 1, section 3, of the Constitution of the United States, and section 16 of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

The Intelligencer in its comments on a public matter was pointing out the law and precedents in such cases as that from Pennsylvania. The responsibility for no election does not rest outside of that state. The senate will decide the matter as it construes the law, for it sits as a judicial body in determining the titles of its members to their seats. That is all there is in the matter, and our Spencer friend, like all the remainder of us, must await that decision, much as we may desire to see Pennsylvania have two good Republican senators, and may have our preferences as to whom they should be.

## A Novel Legal Point.

It is unfortunate that an oversight of the legislature in considering the appropriation bill may cause two years' delay, at least, in the construction of the miners' hospitals provided for an act passed during the session. The act creating the hospitals in the mining districts provides for liberal appropriations for the buildings and for conducting them, but the general appropriation bill ignores the matter. The oversight may delay the establishment of these humane institutions, and it is all the more unfortunate because it was one of the acts of the legislature that met with popular approval.

In connection with this subject Governor Atkinson issues a statement, which will be found in a Charleston special elsewhere, in which he holds that a special act of the legislature, which carries with it an appropriation necessary to enforce it, need not be mentioned in the general appropriation bill to make it obligatory on the auditor to pay it. He believes the hospital act carrying with it the appropriation is mandatory upon the auditor, and whether the money appropriated in the act creating the hospitals shall be paid rests wholly with the auditor's construction of the law. The auditor has rendered no opinion. It is a question which may require a supreme court decision before it is settled.

Captain Coghlan claims that his speeches at the New York banquet were private, that they were exaggerated by the press, that he didn't know they would get into the newspapers, and that he had no intention of saying anything offensive about the emperor of Germany. In view of Captain Coghlan's magnificent bravery at Manila, the fact that he is approaching the regular age of retirement, and that the German government expects nothing more than a reprimand of the captain by the navy department, the incident will doubtless close in that way.

With the temperature up toward 90 yesterday for a time Wheelingites were given a taste of the approaching summer.

It is stated that Cincinnati is about to draw on West Virginia for her national gas supply.

Pittsburgh is talking of the same thing. If West Virginia doesn't look out she will find her supply so heavily drawn on that she will be deprived of her own share.

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POINTED PARAGRAPHS.  
Gray hairs that can be counted don't count.  
Trouble never troubles the contented man.  
The woman who marries for spite invariably gets it.  
All things come quickly to the man who meets them half way.  
When some actors attempt to sing there is no place like home.  
The receiver is often as bad as the original board of directors.  
Satan is the father of lies and matrimony is the mother of excuses.  
The only swell thing about some men is located directly under their hats.  
"Every man for himself," is a doctrine that girls do not take any stock in.  
Starting for heaven on a gravestone recommendation is pretty risky business.  
The wise man never loses his reputation by attempting to answer fool questions.  
Some of the ancients were pretty swift, but Samson was the first to get a game on him.  
Man proposes and later on he sometimes wonders how he managed to make such a fool of himself.  
"Evil is wrought by want of thought," says the poet. Very true, and much is wrought by thoughts of want.  
But few angels have cause to boast of the attention shown them when they happen to be entertained unawares.—Chicago Daily News.

## REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR

There is more than one way not to skin a rat.

A man begins to grow old the minute he stops growing young.

No bad woman could be so bad if she hadn't got the requisites of a good one.

There are two kinds of love—that kind that other folks have and the kind that has you.

Generally when a baby smiles in its sleep, it is wind in its stomach, and sometimes it is only talking with the angels.—New York Press.

The Quintessence of Meanness.

"The meanest man I ever knew," said the short passenger, "was a fellow who got a football and painted it to look like a watermelon. Then during the summer months he kept it conspicuously displayed in his back yard and amused himself setting a savage bulldog on hungry people who happened to take a fancy to the bogus melon."

"He certainly had his mean points," said the tall passenger, "but I know a fellow who could give him a discount and then beat him at his own game. I was in a restaurant once where this fellow was getting his dinner. After he had finished he called the waiter who had served him and asked:

"How much do you get for a tip, as a rule?"

"The waiter's eyes sparkled; he rubbed his hands together, and replied:

"Well, sah, we ginally gits at least a quanta, but sometimes nice, genteel, prosperous-looking' gemmans like you gives us fifty cents."

"Then what did this fellow do but put on his hat and say:

"Thanks, I merely wanted to know how much I was going to be ahead by not giving you anything."—Chicago Daily News.

The Alternative.

Detroit Journal: "The Lord has sent me!" quoth the missionary, immediately he set foot upon the tropic strand.

Here a venerable savage addressed his fellows.

"Didn't I tell you the Lord would provide?" he exclaimed.

Then they fell to and ate the missionary, and their simple faith was much confirmed by the incident.

Physical Demonstration.

Detroit Journal: The doctors had consulted; it was appendicitis.

"Shall we operate?"

The sufferer glared up into their faces.

"No!" he cried, savagely.

For, strange to say, there are persons in the world to whom life is dearer than social prestige.

About Right.

Chicago Record: "When I am telling a man a story I stop short if I see a peculiar gleam in his eye."

"Does it mean that he has heard it before?"

"No; it means that he isn't listening, because he is thinking up one he intends to tell me."

Can't and Will.

Oh, come with me to the land of "can't." Where the wrecks of men with doleful chant.

March on with murmuring day by day To oblivion's grave beyond the way.

Her weeds grow rank, and thistles nod.

As the men of can't land weary plod, With sorrowing heart and faltering feet, Along a gloomy desolate street.

Here can't and won't walk side by side, With the shade of him who never tried, And over each others' heads the pall Of wasted chance, while frowning wall On either side quito shuts them in.

With want and misery, shame and sin, Shut-out souls, while life may last, And thus the men of can't go past.

Beyond this wall is a glorious land, Where would and will go hand-in-hand, And strive with might, each to possess The magic talisman, success.

No word of can't their banners bear, But pennants floating in the air Printed in golden letters, read The motto, "Try and you must succeed."

WILL S. GREENLIEF.  
Wheeling, W. Va., April 25.

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## MORGANTOWN MATTERS.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., April 26.—The corps of cadets of the university voted to go to Grafton on Memorial Day and participate in the exercises there. Congressman Dooliver, of Iowa, will be the orator of the day and General Joe Wheeler has been invited to be present and make a speech. He has written the committee that he will come, if possible.

Major James M. Lee, regent of the university and principal of the Greenbrier Military Academy, at Lewisburg, has tendered to the governor his resignation as regent and has accepted a position in the Pittsburgh military academy as instructor in military training and tactics.

At a meeting of the trustees of the Methodist Episcopal church last night, it was decided not to build a new church this year. Eleven thousand dollars had been raised for the purpose.

Oil in Monongalia.

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MORGANTOWN, W. Va., April 26.—The deep sand oil territory in this county is proving the most profitable in the state at the present time, and the excitement is more intense than it was when oil was first discovered here a few years ago. Yesterday evening the sixth well came in on the Eddy farm, which, when operations first began, was thought to be the rankest of wildcat territory. There is room for four more wells on the farm and the total production will not be short of twenty-five hundred barrels a day. The South Penn Oil Company drilled in a big well on the adjoining farm yesterday and Huston & Company have a well almost drilled in on a farm on the east side of it. Everybody who can raise a hundred dollars here is taking stock in the various operations and hundreds of acres are being leased with a view to early development.

Mad Dog Scare.

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PARSONS, W. Va., April 26.—A mad dog scare caused the councils of this town and Davis to issue proclamations, ordering all dogs either muzzled or tied up to be killed. It was prompted by a dog which was thought to have rabies biting several dogs in the town, as it passed through. Three cows belonging to a farmer near here were bitten by it and all died.

Burned to a Crisp.

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KINGWOOD, W. Va., April 26.—Miss Meade Moore, an inmate of the county infirmary, was burned to death Saturday. There was a fire in the yard under a kettle and from this her clothes ignited and burned her body into a crisp.

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